Please carefully read the notices below before writing your research proposal:

- This is a template for the Research Project that must be presented as part of the application package for the PhD program in Social Sciences offered by the University of Genoa.
- The Committee will use your research project to assess your attitude and capacity to approach scientific research in the fields of social science. Therefore, the project is not binding. Your actual project could be changed or better defined along with your Tutor.
- The Committee will evaluate your application in the context of the research lines listed in the call for the matching curriculum. Therefore, we recommend you focus on a research topic pertinent to those lines of research.
- You can write the Research Project in English or Italian, as you prefer.
- The proposal must have a maximum length of 4500 words (references included) and a formatting style as follows: a) Font: Times 12; line spacing: 1.5
- The structure of your research proposal should be as follows (subsections are allowed if needed):
  - Abstract [Summary of the research proposal]
  - State of the art [Outline the state of the literature relevant to your proposal and highlight how your project could advance/integrate/replicate the previous research]
  - Aims and hypotheses/research questions [Clearly state the aims of your research and, if needed, your main hypotheses]
  - Methodology [Describe methods that you will apply to pursue the research aims]
  - Expected results [Describe the expected results that you expect to achieve through this research proposal]
  - Theoretical and practical implications [Speculate and discuss the theoretical and practical impact of your research proposal]
  - References [List the bibliographic references that you cited in the text following the scientific format of the related discipline (e.g., APA style, Chicago style)]